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State prison inmate dies

(Pierre, S.D.)- A state prison inmate has died.

Inmate James James, age 49, died May 9<sup>th</sup> at a Sioux Falls hospital.

James was serving a 24 year sentence and two concurrent 15 year sentences for 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Robbery convictions out of Minnehaha County.

An autopsy will be conducted. The Division of Criminal Investigation is investigating the death, as is standard procedure in the death of an inmate.